We claim:

1. A system comprising:

- a hub;
- at least one process management system that is located remotely with respect to the hub and that operably communicates with the hub;
- at least one service provider that is located remotely with respect to both the hub and the at least one process management system and that operably communicates with the hub.

2. The system of claim 1 wherein the hub further comprises a communications interface that operably couples to the at least one process management system and the at least one service provider.

3. The system of claim 2 wherein the communications interface has no native compatibility with either of the at least one process management system and the at least one service provider.

4. The system of claim 3 wherein:

- the at least one process management system operably couples to the communications interface via a first data translation and manipulation unit; and
- the at least one service provider operably couples to the communications interface via a second data translation and manipulation unit.

5. The system of claim 4 wherein:

- the first data translation and manipulation unit has a process management system interface that is compatible with the process management system and a communications interface interface that is compatible with the communications interface; and
- the second data translation and manipulation unit has a service provider interface that is compatible with the service provider and a communications interface interface that is compatible with the communications interface.

6. The system of claim 1 wherein the hub further comprises a data translation and manipulation unit registry that identifies at least some of the data translation and manipulation units to which the hub has access via a communications interface.

7. The system of claim 1 wherein the hub further comprises a content registry that identifies at least some discrete content as offered by at least one service provider.

8. The system of claim 7 wherein the content registry further identifies which process management systems are permitted access to which items of the discrete content.

9. The system of claim 7 wherein at least one item of the discrete content comprises a catalog.

10. The system of claim 1 wherein the hub further comprises a first registry that identifies at least one process management system that is authorized to access the hub.

11. The system of claim 10 wherein the hub further comprises a second registry that identifies at least some of the data translation and manipulation units to which the hub has access via a communications interface and wherein the first registry further identifies which of the data translation and manipulation units the at least one process management system is authorized to access.

12. The system of claim 11 wherein the first registry and the second registry are discrete from one another.

13. The system of claim 11 wherein the first registry comprises the second registry.

14. The system of claim 1 wherein the hub further comprises a logger that contains information comprising an audit trail that reflects at least some instances of the process management system accessing the hub.

15. The system of claim 1 wherein the hub further comprises at least one of a synchronous router and an asynchronous router.

16. The system of claim 15 wherein the hub comprises both a synchronous router and an asynchronous router.

17. An eLearning system comprising:
- a hub;
- at least one learning management system that is located remotely with respect to the hub and that operably communicates with the hub;
- at least one human resources management system that is located remotely with respect to the hub and that operably communicates with the hub;
- at least one courseware service provider that is located remotely with respect to the hub, the at least one learning management system, and the human resources management system and that operably communicates with the hub.

18. The eLearning system of claim 17 wherein the learning management system and the human resources management system initiate communications with one another via the hub.

19. A method to facilitate accessing a given service provider via a data network comprising:
at a process manager platform:
- identifying at least one of the given service provider and a product that corresponds to the given service provider to provide a communication target;
- automatically using a data translation and manipulation process to access a hub via the data network;
- receiving a response from the hub;
- automatically using the response to facilitate establishing communications via the data network with the given service provider.

20. The method of claim 19 wherein the process manager platform comprises a learning management system.

21. The method of claim 19 wherein using a data translation and manipulation process to access a hub via the data network further comprises:
- receiving a message from the data translation and manipulation process to provide additional information;
- automatically providing at least some of the additional information to the data translation and manipulation process.

22. The method of claim 19 wherein receiving a response from the hub further comprises receiving a Java object.